

I am writing to protest the intention of Sinclair Broadcasting to air an anti-Kerry program in the two weeks prior to the election through their many affiliate stations. The public airwaves are free of charge and therefore companies by law are required and legally bound to serve the public interest. In an election time that means equal time for all major candidates.

If Sinclair wants to air a program like "Stolen Honor," which is clearly an anti-Kerry promotion, they are legally required to show a pro-Kerry promotion such as "Going Upriver." I find it very scary to think that large corporations can control the airwaves with their big-business agendas which only serve to increase their profits at the expense of one of the fundamental tenets of democracy--equal access for all, in the public sphere. That includes the airwaves. The FCC must uphold these rights to public access and balanced political programming and they must prevent Sinclair from carrying out its intended anti-Kerry broadcasts, or ensure that a pro-Kerry message is given equal time.

Thank you.